

Arizona State Board of Acupuncture Examiners

REGULAR MEETING

April 28, 2004

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Martha Grout, MD, Acting Secretary/Chairman
Yong Deng, Professional Member
Joan Heskett, Public Member
Syretta McNeal, Public Member
Cesar Quintana, D.C. Professional Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Deborah Malone, L.Ac.
Don Nichols
Dana Price, L.Ac.

ATTORNEY GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE:

Terrie Zenoff, Assistant Attorney General

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

Christine Springer, Board Assistant

I. Call To Order and Introduction of New Board Member

Acting Secretary/Chairman Grout called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m and welcomed Dr. Cesar Quintana to the membership. Dr. Quintana was appointed by Governor Napolitano and will serve in one of the professional member positions authorized by the statute. He replaces Dr. Paul Steingard who resigned due to illness.

II. Review, discuss, and vote – Board Business

a. and b. Dr. Grout initiated a discussion regarding the expiration of Janice Benjamin's term of appointment. She noted that Mrs. Benjamin had sent correspondence indicating that she would not seek reappointment. Mrs. Heskett made a motion to confirm Dr. Grout's election to the office of board secretary. Ms. O'Neal seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

III. Review, discuss, and vote – Regular Meeting Minutes

Ms. O'Neal made the motion approving the March 24, 2004 Regular Meeting minutes. Dr. Deng seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

IV. Personnel Committee Report

In Mrs. Benjamin's absence, Chris Springer provided an update on the Personnel Committee's recent interviews with applicants that applied for the executive director position. She indicated that five interviews were held and three candidates will be selected for the final interview to be held at the May 26, 2004 regular meeting.

V. Consideration of Candidates for licensure – Discussion and Vote

Acupuncture License

Applications from Tala Lindaro, John Rhodes, Gabrielle Rubin, Lea Siebert, and Jonathan West were reviewed. Mrs. Heskett made a motion approving the applications. Dr. Deng seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

An application from Jennifer Farrow-West was reviewed. Mrs. Heskett noted that the application was missing verification of the status of Ms. West's acupuncture license from the State of Florida. She made a motion approving the application pending receipt of license verification from Florida. Ms. McNeal seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The Board discussed an application from Clark Wong Kim. Dr. Deng reviewed the training certification provided by Extraordinary Meridian Therapy Academic Research Institute, Republic of Korea and noted that no breakout of class work or training hours was provided. In addition, no evidence was provided to indicate that Mr. Kim was certified by NCCAOM. Mrs. Heskett made a motion to deny the application, noting that requirements of A.R.S. 32-3924(1) or (2) had not been met. Dr. Deng seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Auricular Certificates

Applications from Cynthia Salazar, Amy Shiner, and Sue Tham were reviewed. Mrs. Heskett made a motion approving the applications. Motion seconded by Dr. Deng and passed unanimously.

V. Executive Director Report

Chris Springer updated the board with the current revenue and expenditure figures. Revenues had been projected at \$92,000. The board has collected approximately \$75,796 as of March 30, 2004. The Board has expended \$35,564.30 or 47.23% of the total appropriation of \$75,300.

VI. Call to the Public

No members of the public addressed the board.

VII. Future Agenda Items

Use of herbs within the acupuncture standard of practice
Report on the highlights from the April 2004 FAOMRA meeting

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Grout moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:34 p.m. Ms. O'Neal seconded the motion that passed unanimously. The **next meeting** of the Board will convene at the Occupational Licensing Building, 1400 W. Washington, Basement Conference Room B-1, Phoenix, Arizona, 1:00 PM, on **May 26, 2004**

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Springer
Board Assistant